

## COMMENT FORM

Public Scoping Meetings

We need your input. Please take a few minutes to provide your comments or questions for the USDA RUS Federal Environmental Impact Statement process and return your completed form today or mail by June 29, 2009. Your comments help in the planning and implementation of the project. **Thank you.**

Completing this form will automatically add you to our mailing list. If you prefer to not be on the mailing list, please check the box below.

☐ I do not wish to be on the project mailing list

Which meeting did you attend? PLAINVILLE

Please check the following issues that are important to you for transmission line siting.

☐ Project Purpose and Need

☐ Visual / Aesthetic resources

☒ Proximity to residences

☒ Land use (agriculture, residential, recreation)

☐ Water resources (floodplains, river crossings)

☐ Biological resources (wildlife habitat, raptors)

☐ Historic and cultural sites

☐ Radio or television interference

☐ Noise

☒ Health and safety

☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

What additional key issues should be addressed when assessing the potential impacts of this project?

I-032-001 | LINE SHOULD FOLLOW MAJOR HIGHWAYS

I-032-002 | NOT CROSS AND DIVIDE CENTURY FARM

AND GO CLOSE TO HOUSES

Hampton • Rochester • La Crosse 345 kV Transmission Project

### I-032-001

Your comment has been noted. The criteria used to route the transmission line is described in the Macro Corridor Study which is available on the RUS website at: <http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/eis.htm>. These criteria and routing process will be addressed in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement. The project is still in the development and planning stages and the utilities have not yet permitted a route for the transmission line.

The Draft Environmental Impact Statement will be available on the RUS website at: <http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/eis.htm>. Comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement will be solicited after its publication.

### I-032-002

Your comment has been noted. Impacts to historic and archeological resources affected by the transmission line will be addressed in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

If you own property in one of the proposed corridors, please indicate all the existing uses of your property below:

- ☒ Agriculture      ☒ Residential      ☐ Conservation Easement  
☐ Commercial      ☐ Industrial      ☐ Other: Livestock

Please describe any special uses or circumstances on your property that should be considered when assessing the Project. Please indicate the location of your property.

DIVIDE CENTURY FARM  
SEVERAL LARGE SINK HOLES ON PROPERTY  
CLOSE TO HOUSE  
LIVESTOCK UNDER LINE  
OIL PIPE LINE

In your opinion, what are the most sensitive resources (biological, cultural, recreational, ect.) in the Project area and why?

PRIVATE PROPERTY  
DIVIDING PARCELS  
CLOSE TO HOUSES

### I-032-003

Your comment has been noted. Impacts to historic and archeological resources affected by the transmission line will be addressed in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

### I-032-004

Your comment has been noted. Access and terrain issues will be assessed at a route level and with individual landowners. Alternatives to the project will be addressed in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

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In your opinion, was the project description, purpose, and need for the project adequately explained? If not, what additional information is needed?

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Please tell us how to reach you.

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Public participation for the Federal, Minnesota, and Wisconsin permitting processes will be ongoing for the Hampton-Rochester-La Crosse 345 kV Transmission Project. If you sign up for the mailing list, you will be notified when opportunities to participate are being planned.

Please plan to continue your involvement in the process and provide your comments. We appreciate your input.